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APOLLO DISTRICT INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS MAY 2006

PONTOON BOAT CRUISE:

THE BACKWATERS OF MOSQUITO LAGOON

Journey with a National Park Ranger on a visit to the colorful places that lend character to this vital estuary. Our pontoon boat, *Tortuga del Sol* is U.S. Coast Guard inspected and our licensed captains and experienced mates are trained to provide you with a memorable and safe park water tour. Join us for a two-hour journey as we cruise from the Visitor Center on most Saturdays and Sundays, at 10:00 a.m. and again at 1:30 p.m., weather permitting. <u>RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED</u> and <u>SPACE IS LIMITED</u>. A cost recovery fee of \$13.00 per person is charged for all passengers. Call (386) 428-3384 ext. 10 to reserve space.

THURSDAY, MAY 4TH AND 18TH-1:00 PM-"HOOK, LINE AND SINKER" Bait, rigs and tackle tips will be discussed, along with the rules and regulations for keeping what you catch. Bring water and sunscreen. We have a few rods; feel free to bring your own. Meet at the Visitor Information Center. (2 hours)

THURSDAY, MAY 11^{TH} AND 25^{TH} -1:00 PM-"FISH MOSQUITO LAGOON"

Learn tips and tricks for fishing the waters of Mosquito Lagoon. Bring your own tackle if you can, we have some supplies. Bring water and sunscreen. Meet at the Visitor Information Center. (2 hours)

SUNDAY, MAY 14TH-10:00 AM-"BEACH WALK" Join a park guide as you explore Apollo Beach. Discover the wonderful things which can be found if you just look. Hat, water and sunscreen are recommended. Meet at the Visitor Information Center. (1 hour)

MONDAY, MAY 15TH-9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM-"TURTLE WATCH RESERVATIONS" It is time to begin making your reservations for the Turtle Watch program. The program will take place in the North District, New Smyrna Beach. Reservations for the June programs will be taken by phone only. The number to call is (386) 428-3384 ext. 18.

SUNDAY, MAY 21TH-10:00 **AM-"CAST NETTING"** Learn tips and techniques that help with this ancient art. Hat, water and sunscreen recommended. Meet at the pavilion behind the Visitor Information Center. (1 hour)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH**-2:00 PM-"SEA TURTLE PREVIEW"** Join a park ranger to learn about the nesting sea turtles of Canaveral National Seashore. Discuss the results of last summer and what is expected of the upcoming nesting season. Meet at the Visitor Information Center. (1 hour)